JOURNAL

of the

UNITED NATIONS

FRIDAY, 15 NOVEMBER 1996 No. 1996/223

PROGRAMME OF MEETINGS AND AGENDA

SCHEDULED MEETINGS

Friday, 15 November 1996

SECURITY COUNCIL

10 a.m.	consultations of the whole (closed)	Consultation Room

The Libyan Arab Jamahiriya (review of sanctions)

Croatia (S/1996/883 and S/1996/938)*

The situation in the Great Lakes region (S/1996/941)

Other matters

---

* To be followed by a formal meeting.

GENERAL ASSEMBLY

Fifty-first session

11 a.m.-1 p.m.	Informal consultations (closed)	Conference Room 8

Informal consultations of the Coordinator on agenda item 21 (Stengthening of the coordination of humanitarian and disaster relief assistance of the United Nations, including special economic assistance)

Committees

FIRST COMMITTEE

10 a.m.-1 p.m.	24th meeting	Conference Room 1

Action on draft resolutions submitted on all disarmament and international security agenda items 60, 61, 63-81:

Agenda items [66] (A/51/27, 123, 127, 131, 163, 167, 174, 208-S/1996/543, 262, 412, A/C.1/51/4, 5, 8); [67] (A/51/113-S/1996/276, 117-S/1996/290, 216-S/1996/563, 286, A/C.1/51/L.28 and Rev.1); [71] (A/51/27, 42, 60-S/1996/62, 69-S/1996/122, 72-S/1996/148, 77-S/1996/181, 127, 131, 136, 137, 139, 157, 159-S/1996/418, 163, 165-S/1996/435, 167, 169-S/1996/444, 174, 181, 188-S/1996/511, 207, 208-S/1996/543, 214,

218, 220, 224, 262, 266-S/1996/621, 279, 300, Add.1 and Add.2, 393, 452, 462-S/1996/831, 648-S/1996/900, A/C.1/51/7, 11, 12, 13, A/C.1/51/L.3*, L.7, L.11 and Rev. 1, L.38 and Rev.1, L.48, L.49, L.50, L.51); [72] (A/51/27, 60-S/1996/62, 69-S/1996/122, 72-S/1996/148, 77-S/1996/181, 137, 188-S/1996/511, 219, 274-S/1996/631, 287, 403, 445, 648-S/1996/900, A/C.1/51/L.15); [74] (A/51/446, A/C.1/51/L.27*); [81] (A/51/60-S/1996/62, 89, 137, 202-S/1996/537, 318-S/1996/706, 351-S/1996/744, 401-S/1996/782, 461-S/1996/830, 537-S/1996/867, 550-S/1996/872, 563-S/1996/884, A/C.1/51/13, A/C.1/51/L.22, L.42 and Rev.1)

SECOND COMMITTEE

Informal consultations

10 a.m.-1 p.m.	closed meeting	Conference Room 6
3 p.m.-6 p.m.	closed meeting	Conference Room 6

Informal consultations on the following draft proposals: A/C.2/51/L.17 (item 96 (c)), A/C.2/51/L.19 (item 96 (d)), A/C.2/51/L.22 (item 96 (g)), A/C.2/51/L.21 (item 96 (b)), A/C.2/51/L.5 (item 97 (c)), A/C.2/51/L.6 (item 97 (e))

THIRD COMMITTEE

10 a.m.-1 p.m.	39th meeting	Conference Room 3

1. Human rights questions: [110] (A/53/3 (Parts I and II), A/51/81, A/51/87, A/51/90, A/51/114, A/51/208-S/1996/543, A/51/210, A/51/462-S/1996/831, A/C.3/51/9)

2. Human rights questions, including alternative approaches for improving the effective enjoyment of human rights and fundamental freedoms [110 (b)] (A/51/201, A/51/395, A/51/453 and Add.1, A/51/457, A/51/480, A/51/506, A/51/536*, A/51/539, A/51/542* and Add.1* and Add.2*, A/51/552*, A/51/555, A/51/558*, A/51/561, A/51/641, A/51/650, A/51/153, A/51/170, A/51/290, A/C.3/51/6)

3. Human rights situations and reports of special rapporteurs and representatives [110 (c)] (A/51/347, A/51/459, A/51/460, A/51/466*, A/51/478, A/51/479, A/51/481, A/51/483 and Add.1, A/51/490, A/51/496*, A/51/507, A/51/538*, A/51/556, A/51/557*, A/51/651, A/51/657, A/51/80-S/1996/194), A/51/189, A/51/203-E/1996/86, A/51/204, A/51/271, A/51/532-S/1996/864, A/C.3/51/3, A/C.3/51/8, A/C.3/51/10, A/C.3/51/11, A/C.3/51/12, A/C.3/51/13*)

4. Comprehensive implementation of and follow-up to the Vienna Declaration and Programme of Action [110 (d)] (A/51/36)

5. Report of the United Nations High Commissioner for Human Rights [110 (e)] (A/51/36)

Introduction of reports of Special Representatives and Special Rapporteurs

3 p.m.-6 p.m.	40th meeting	Conference Room 3

1. Human rights questions: [110] (A/53/3 (Parts I and II), A/51/81, A/51/87, A/51/90, A/51/114, A/51/208-S/1996/543, A/51/210, A/51/462-S/1996/831, A/C.3/51/9)

2. Human rights questions, including alternative approaches for improving the effective enjoyment of human rights and fundamental freedoms [110 (b)] (A/51/201, A/51/395, A/51/453 and Add.1, A/51/457, A/51/480, A/51/506, A/51/536*, A/51/539, A/51/542* and Add.1* and Add.2*, A/51/552*, A/51/555, A/51/558*, A/51/561, A/51/641, A/51/650, A/51/153, A/51/170, A/51/290, A/C.3/51/6)

3. Human rights situations and reports of special rapporteurs and representatives [110 (c)] (A/51/347, A/51/459, A/51/460, A/51/466*, A/51/478, A/51/479, A/51/481, A/51/483 and Add.1, A/51/490, A/51/496*, A/51/507, A/51/538*, A/51/556, A/51/557*, A/51/651, A/51/657, A/51/80-S/1996/194), A/51/189, A/51/203-E/1996/86, A/51/204, A/51/271, A/51/532-S/1996/864, A/C.3/51/3, A/C.3/51/8, A/C.3/51/10, A/C.3/51/11, A/C.3/51/12, A/C.3/51/13*)

4. Comprehensive implementation of and follow-up to the Vienna Declaration and Programme of Action [110 (d)] (A/51/36)

5. Report of the United Nations High Commissioner for Human Rights [110 (e)] (A/51/36)

6. Crime prevention and criminal justice [101]

Action on draft resolution A/C.3/51/L.7/Rev.1

7. Advancement of Women [103]

Action on draft resolutions A/C.3/51/L.17 and L.18/Rev.1

8. Report of the United Nations High Commissioner for Refugees, questions relating to refugees, returnees and displaced persons and humanitarian questions [105]

Action on draft resolutions A/C.3/51/L.12/Rev.1 and L.13/Rev.1

---

* To be issued.

* To be issued.

9. Programme of activities of the International Decade of the World's Indigenous People [107]

Introduction of draft resolution A/C.3/51/L.30

10. Right of peoples to self-determination [109]

Action on draft resolution A/C.3/51/L.26

FIFTH COMMITTEE

Informal consultations

10 a.m.- 1 p.m.	closed meeting	Conference Room 5

Informal consultations on agenda item 119 (Scale of assessments for the apportionment of the expenses of the United Nations (A/50/11/Add.2 and Corr.1))

3 p.m.- 6 p.m.	closed meeting	Conference Room 5

Informal consultations on agenda item 116 (Programme budget for the biennium 1996-1997 (A/C.5/50/57 and Add.1, A/50/7/Add.16 and A/51/7/Add.1))

SIXTH COMMITTEE

10 a.m.- 1 p.m.	41st meeting	Trusteeship Council Chamber
3 p.m.	42nd meeting	Trusteeship Council Chamber

Report of the International Law Commission on the work of its forty-eighth session [146] (A/51/10 and Corr.1, A/51/332 and Corr.1, A/51/358 and Add.1, A/51/365)

Afternoon*	informal consultations (closed)	Trusteeship Council Chamber

Informal consultations on a draft resolution concerning measures to eliminate international terrorism

* Immediately following the adjournment of 42nd meeting of the Sixth Committee.

WORKING GROUP ON THE QUESTION CONCERNING THE IMPLEMENTATION OF THE PROVISIONS OF THE CHARTER RELATED TO THE ASSISTANCE TO THIRD STATES AFFECTED BY THE APPLICATION OF SANCTIONS UNDER CHAPTER VII OF THE CHARTER

Afternoon*- 6 p.m.	closed meeting	Trusteeship Council Chamber

* If there is time available after the adjournment of the informal consultations on a draft resolution concerning measures to eliminate international terrorism.

•

• •

ADVISORY COMMITTEE ON ADMINISTRATIVE AND BUDGETARY QUESTIONS

10.30 a.m.- 1 p.m.	closed meeting	Conference Room 10

Subject

Draft reports

COMMITTEE ON THE EXERCISE OF THE INALIENABLE RIGHTS OF THE PALESTINIAN PEOPLE

10.30 a.m.- 1 p.m.	224th meeting	Economic and Social Council Chamber

UNITED NATIONS ADMINISTRATIVE TRIBUNAL

10.30 a.m.- 1 p.m.	closed meeting	Room DC1-778
2.30 p.m.- 6 p.m.	closed meeting	Room DC1-778

MEETINGS OTHER THAN MEETINGS OF UNITED NATIONS BODIES

The announcements in this section are reproduced as received. The designations employed do not imply the expression of any opinion whatsoever on the part of the Secretariat of the United Nations.

Friday, 15 November 1996

NON-ALIGNED MOVEMENT: DRAFTING GROUPS 1 AND 2 OF THE WORKING GROUP ON DISARMAMENT

9 a.m.-10 a.m.	closed meeting	Conference Room A

AFRICAN GROUP OF THE WHOLE

10.30 a.m.-1 p.m.	closed meeting	Conference Room 2

AFRICAN GROUP
(Third Committee matters)

1.15 p.m.-2.45 p.m.	closed meeting	Conference Room 9

GROUP OF 77
(Second Committee matters: on draft resolution on industrial development cooperation and small island developing States)

1.30 p.m.-2.45 p.m.	closed meeting	Conference Room 6

NON-ALIGNED MOVEMENT: WORKING GROUP ON HUMAN RIGHTS

1.30 p.m.-2.45 p.m.	closed meeting	Conference Room 7
5 p.m.-6 p.m.	closed meeting	Conference Room A

GROUP OF 77
(Fifth Committee matters)

1.45 p.m.-2.45 p.m.	closed meeting	Conference Room 5

GROUP OF 77
(Third Committee matters: on draft resolution on the Implementation of the outcome of the World Summit for Social Development)

4.30 p.m.-6 p.m.	closed meeting	Conference Room 8

* * *

Informal consultations

There will be informal consultations (at the Permanent Representative-level) *today*, 15 November 1996, at 3 p.m. in Conference Room D, to discuss a draft resolution of the Mid-term Review of UN-NADAF.

* * *

There will be informal consultations on the draft resolution entitled "The Commemoration of the 50th Anniversary of the Universal Declaration of Human Rights" (under agenda item 110 (a)) *today*, 15 November 1996, at 2.15 p.m. in Conference Room B.

* * *

Meeting of co-sponsors

There will be a meeting of co-sponsors of a draft resolution (First Committee) *today*, 15 November 1996, at 4 p.m. in Conference Room C.

FORTHCOMING MEETINGS

Monday, 18 November 1996

GENERAL ASSEMBLY

Fifty-first session

Committees

FIRST COMMITTEE

3 p.m.	25th meeting	Conference Room 3

SPECIAL POLITICAL AND DECOLONIZATION COMMITTEE (FOURTH COMMITTEE)

10 a.m.	15th meeting	Trusteeship Council Chamber
3 p.m.	16th meeting	Trusteeship Council Chamber

SECOND COMMITTEE

10 a.m.	34th meeting	Conference Room 2
Morning*	informal consultations (closed)	Conference Room 8
3 p.m.	informal consultations (closed)	Conference Room 8

* Following the adjournment of the 34th meeting of the Second Committee.

THIRD COMMITTEE

10 a.m.	41st meeting	Conference Room 1
3 p.m.	42nd meeting	Conference Room 1

FIFTH COMMITTEE

10 a.m.	informal consultations (closed)	Conference Room 5
3 p.m.	informal consultations (closed)	Conference Room 5

SIXTH COMMITTEE

3 p.m.	43rd meeting	Conference Room 2

WORKING GROUP ON THE UNITED NATIONS DECADE OF INTERNATIONAL LAW

Afternoon*	closed meeting	Trusteeship Council Chamber

* Following the adjournment of the 43rd meeting of the Sixth Committee.

* * *

ADVISORY COMMITTEE ON ADMINISTRATIVE AND BUDGETARY QUESTIONS

10.30 a.m.	closed meeting	Conference Room 10

* * *

SPECIAL POLITICAL AND DECOLONIZATION COMMITTEE (FOURTH COMMITTEE)

The Special Political and Decolonization Committee (Fourth Committee) will hold its 15th meeting on Monday, 18 November 1996, at 10 a.m. in the Trusteeship Council Chamber to begin consideration of agenda item 86 (Comprehensive review of the whole question of peace-keeping operations in all their aspects).

Delegations wishing to be inscribed on the list of speakers for the general debate relating to agenda item 86 are kindly requested to notify the Secretariat (room S-3380, tel: 963-9223).

* * *

The 178th meeting of the Committee on Relations with the Host Country, initially scheduled for 14 November 1996, will now be held on Tuesday, 19 November 1996, at 3 p.m. in Conference Room 8.

* * *

The list of speakers for the general debate (scheduled for 25 and 26 November 1996) of the Fourth Review Conference of the Parties to the Convention on the Prohibition of the Development, Production and Stockpiling of Bacteriological (Biological) and Toxin Weapons and on their Destruction, to be held in Geneva (from 25 November to 6 December 1996) is open for inscription.

Delegations wishing to be inscribed are kindly requested to contact the Secretariat of the BWC (Mr. Sola Ogunbanwo, Provisional Secretary-General of the Review Conference, BWC Secretariat, Palais des Nations, Geneva, Switzerland (tel. : 022-9173644, fax: 022-9170296, room A-598)).

*

* *

ECONOMIC AND SOCIAL COUNCIL

There will be a meeting of the Ad Hoc Open-ended Working Group on Informatics of the Economic and Social Council, under the chairmanship of H.E. Mr. Ahmed Kamal, Permanent Representative of Pakistan, on Tuesday, 19 November 1996, at 3 p.m. in Conference Room D.

MEETINGS OTHER THAN MEETINGS OF UNITED NATIONS BODIES

The announcements in this section are reproduced as received. The designations employed do not imply the expression of any opinion whatsoever on the part of the Secretariat of the United Nations.

There will be a Meeting of States Signatories of the Comprehensive Nuclear Test-Ban Treaty on Tuesday, 19 November 1996, at 3 p.m. in Conference Room 4, to adopt a resolution on the "Text on the Establishment of a Preparatory Commission for the Comprehensive Nuclear Test-Ban Treaty Organization" (document CTBT/MSS/L.1 of 17 October 1996). Representatives of States Signatories of the Treaty are reminded that credentials in due form signed by the head of State or Government, the foreign minister or other authority responsible for foreign affairs should be forwarded to the Centre for Disarmament Affairs (room 3170C) as soon as possible.

The first session of the Preparatory Commission for the Comprehensive Nuclear Test-Ban Treaty Organization will take place from 20 to 22 November 1996 at United Nations Headquarters. The opening meeting will begin on Wednesday, 20 November 1996, at 10 a.m. in Conference Room 4. Representatives of States Signatories of the Treaty are reminded that credentials in due form signed by the head of State or Government, the foreign minister or other authority responsible for foreign affairs should be forwarded to the Centre for Disarmament Affairs (Room 3170C) as soon as possible.

* * *

Briefings

The New York City Chief of Police, Commissioner Howard Safir, will address delegations in an open meeting on matters concerning the United Nations diplomatic community on Monday, 18 November 1996, at 10 a.m. in Conference Room 3. The briefing will be followed by a question-and-answer period.

* * *

The Special Representative of the Secretary-General on Human Rights in Cambodia, Mr. Thomas Hammarberg, will hold a briefing for delegations of Member States on Tuesday, 19 November 1996, at 9 a.m. in Conference Room 4.

*

* *

Presentation

A presentation and discussion on "Caring for the Future: A Radical Agenda for Positive Change", organized by the Office of Development Studies of the United Nations Development Programme and the Society for International Development (New York Chapter), will take place on Tuesday, 19 November 1996, at 5.30 p.m. in the Hank Shannon Conference Room (located on the 21st floor of DC1 Building). Mr. Anders Wijkman, Member of the Independent Commission on Population and Quality of Life, Assistant Administrator and Director of the Bureau for Policy and Programme Support (BPPS) of UNDP, will be the speaker.

* * *

Announcement

The Presidency of the Security Council will conduct an informal briefing on the current work of the Council for Member States of the United Nations which are non-members of the Council at *3 p.m.* on Tuesdays and Thursdays during the month of November, except on those days when no consultations of the whole of the Council are scheduled.

SUMMARY OF SCHEDULED MEETINGS

Wednesday, 13 November 1996

GENERAL ASSEMBLY

Fifty-first session

Committees

THIRD COMMITTEE 35th meeting

Promotion and protection of the rights of children [106]

The Committee continued its general discussion of the item.

Statements were made by the representatives of Tunisia, Canada, Latvia and the Czech Republic.

The Committee then concluded its general discussion of the item.

International drug control [102]

The Committee resumed its consideration of agenda item 102.

Draft resolution A/C.3/51/L.9

It was announced that the statement on the programme budget implications of the draft resolution is contained in document A/C.3/51/L.22.

It was announced that Afghanistan, Albania, Bangladesh, Barbados, Belarus, Bosnia and Herzegovina, Chad, El Salvador, Equatorial Guinea, Guinea-Bissau, Haiti, Jamaica, Kazakstan, Kyrgyzstan, Malta, Morocco, the Netherlands, the Niger, Peru, the Philippines, Poland, Russian Federation, Singapore, Slovakia, Slovenia, Sri Lanka, St. Lucia, Swaziland, Thailand, The former Yugoslav Republic of Macedonia, Togo, Turkey and Uzbekistan had joined in sponsoring the draft resolution.

Before action was taken on the draft resolution, the representatives of Mexico, Ireland (on behalf of the European Union), Colombia, the United States and Cuba, made statements.

The Committee then adopted the draft resolution without a vote.

After the adoption of the draft resolution, the representative of the Islamic Republic of Iran made a statement.

The Committee thus concluded its consideration of agenda item 102.

Advancement of women [103]

The Committee resumed its consideration of the item.

Introduction of draft resolution A/C.3/51/L.17

The representative of the Philippines introduced the draft resolution on behalf of the sponsors listed in the document as well as Côte d'Ivoire and Guinea-Bissau.

Introduction of draft resolution A/C.3/51/L.18

The representative of the Philippines introduced the draft resolution on behalf of the sponsors listed in the document as well as Côte d'Ivoire, Denmark, Finland, France, Guinea-Bissau and Panama.

Implementation of the outcome of the Fourth World Conference on Women [104]

Action on draft resolution A/C.3/51/L.29

The Chairperson announced that the draft resolution had no programme budget implications.

The Committee adopted the draft resolution without a vote.

The Committee thus concluded its consideration of the item.

Report of the United Nations High Commissioner for refugees, questions relating to refugees, returnees and displaced persons and humanitarian questions [105]

The Committee resumed its consideration of agenda item 105.

Draft resolution A/C.3/51/L.15/Rev.1

It was announced that the draft resolution contained no programme budget implications.

It was announced that Afghanistan, Guinea-Bissau, the Islamic Republic of Iran, the Philippines, Qatar, Rwanda and Zaire had joined in sponsoring the draft resolution.

The representative of the Sudan further orally revised the draft resolution.

The Committee then adopted the draft resolution without a vote.

Elimination of racism and racial discrimination [108]

The Committee resumed its consideration of the item.

Introduction of draft resolution A/C.3/51/L.24

The representative of Slovenia introduced the draft resolution on behalf of the sponsors listed in the document, as well as Australia, Bangladesh, Bosnia and Herzegovina, Croatia, Guatemala, Iceland, Micronesia (Federated States of), New Zealand and Norway.

Right of peoples to self-determination [109]

The Committee resumed its consideration of the item.

Introduction of draft resolution A/C.3/51/L.25

The representative of Egypt introduced the draft resolution on behalf of the sponsors listed in the document as well as Andorra, Ghana, Guinea-Bissau, Honduras, Liechtenstein, Monaco, the Niger, San Marino, Senegal and Uganda.

Introduction of draft resolution A/C.3/51/L.26

The representative of Nigeria introduced the draft resolution.

Introduction of draft resolution A/C.3/51/L.28

The representative of Pakistan introduced the draft resolution on behalf of the sponsors listed in the document as well as Djibouti.

36th meeting

Human rights questions: Implementation of human rights instruments [110 (a)]

The Committee began its consideration of agenda sub-item 110 (a).

The Assistant Secretary-General for Human Rights made an introductory statement.

Statements were made by the representatives of Ireland (on behalf of European Union as well as Bulgaria, Cyprus, Estonia, Latvia, Malta, Poland, Romania, Slovakia, Norway, Lithuania and Slovenia), Mexico, Japan, South Africa, Egypt and Belarus (also on behalf of Azerbaijan, Armenia, Georgia, Kazakstan, Kyrgyzstan, the Russian Federation and Tajikistan).

Elimination of racism and racial discrimination [108]

The Committee resumed its consideration of the item.

Introduction of draft resolution A/C.3/51/L.23

The representative of Costa Rica, on behalf of the Group of 77 and China, and Turkey, introduced the draft resolution.

Introduction of draft resolution A/C.3/51/L.27

The representative of Costa Rica (on behalf of the Group of 77 and China) introduced the draft resolution.

Thursday, 14 November 1996

GENERAL ASSEMBLY

Fifty-first session

58th plenary meeting

Cooperation between the United Nations and the Organization of the Islamic Conference [31]

(a) *Report of the Secretary-General (A/51/381)*

(b) *Draft resolution (A/51/L.17)*

The representative of Guinea made a statement in the course of which he introduced draft resolution A/51/L.17.

In accordance with General Assembly resolution 3369 (XXX) of 10 October 1975, the observer for the Organization of the Islamic Conference made a statement.

The General Assembly adopted draft resolution A/51/L.17 (resolution 51/18).

The General Assembly decided to conclude its consideration of agenda item 31.

Zone of peace and cooperation of the South Atlantic [32]

(a) *Report of the Secretary-General (A/51/458)*

(b) *Draft resolution (A/51/L.16)*

The representative of South Africa made a statement in the course of which he introduced draft resolution A/51/L.16.

Statements were made by the representatives of Brazil and Nigeria.

The General Assembly proceeded to vote on draft resolution A/51/L.16.

By 117 votes to 0, with 1 abstention (recorded vote), the General Assembly adopted draft resolution A/51/L.16 (resolution 51/19).

The General Assembly decided to conclude its consideration of agenda item 32.

Appointments to fill vacancies in subsidiary organs and other appointments [18]

(a) *Appointment of members of the Advisory Committee on Administrative and Budgetary Questions: report of the Fifth Committee (A/51/671)*

The General Assembly, as recommended by the Fifth Committee in paragraph 6 of its report (A/51/671), appointed the following persons as members of the Advisory Committee on Administrative and Budgetary Questions for a three-year term of office beginning on 1 January 1997: Mr. Ammar Amari, Ms. Denise Almao, Mr. Leonid E. Bidny, Mr. Gérard Biraud and Mrs. Norma Goicochea Estenoz.

(b) *Appointment of members of the Committee on Contributions: report of the Fifth Committee (A/51/672)*

The General Assembly, as recommended by the Fifth Committee in paragraph 8 of its report (A/51/672), appointed the following persons as members of the Committee on Contributions for a three-year term of office beginning on 1 January 1997: Mr. Iqbal Akhund, Mr. Evgueni N. Deineko, Mr. Alvaro Gurgel De Alencar, Mr. Ju Kuilin, Ms. Isabelle Klais and Mr. Ugo Sessi.

(c) *Appointment of a member of the Board of Auditors: report of the Fifth Committee (A/51/666)*

The General Assembly, as recommended by the Fifth Committee in paragraph 4 of its report (A/51/666), appointed the Auditor-General of Ghana as a member of the United Nations Board of Auditors for a three-year term of office beginning on 1 July 1997.

(d) *Confirmation of the appointment of members of the Investments Committee: report of the Fifth Committee (A/51/667)*

The General Assembly, as recommended by the Fifth Committee in paragraph 4 of its report (A/51/667), confirmed the appointment by the Secretary-General of the following persons as members of the Investments Committee for a three-year term of office beginning on 1 January 1997: Ms. Francine Bovich, Mr. Peter Stormonth Darling and Mr. Takeshi Ohta.

The Assembly, as recommended by the Fifth Committee in the same paragraph, also confirmed the appointment of Mr. Fernando G. Chico Pardo to fill the remainder of a three-year term of office expiring on 31 December 1997.

(e) *Appointment of members of the United Nations Administrative Tribunal: report of the Fifth Committee (A/51/668)*

The General Assembly, as recommended by the Fifth Committee in paragraph 4 of its report (A/51/668), appointed the following persons as members of the United Nations Administrative Tribunal for a three-year term of office beginning on 1 January 1997: Mr. Julio Barboza and Mr. Mayer Gabay.

(f) *Appointment of members of the International Civil Service Commission: report of the Fifth Committee (A/51/673)*

The General Assembly, as recommended by the Fifth Committee in paragraph 4 of its report (A/51/673), appointed the following persons as members of the International Civil Service Commission for a four-year term of office beginning on 1 January 1997: Ms. Corazon Alma de Leon, Mr. Alexander V. Chepourin, Mr. Humayun Kabir, Mr. Ernest Rusita and Mr. El Hassane Zahid.

The General Assembly decided to conclude its consideration of sub-items (a), (b), (c), (d), (e) and (f) of agenda item 18.

Programme of work

The General Assembly was informed that on Tuesday, 26 November, in the morning, it would consider agenda item 11 (Report of the Security Council).

The General Assembly decided, in the light of Assembly resolution 50/167 of 22 December 1995 and in connection with the International Day for the Abolition of Slavery, to devote one plenary meeting on Friday, 6 December 1996, in the morning, to the discussion of the problem of trafficking in human persons, expecially women and children.

Committees

FIRST COMMITTEE 22nd meeting

Action on draft resolutions submitted on all disarmament and international security agenda items

The Committee continued the fourth phase of its work, namely, action on draft resolutions submitted on all disarmament and international security agenda items. A statement was made by the representative of Argentina.

The Chairman made a statement.

In explanation of vote before the vote, statements were made by the representatives of Belgium, the United States, Australia, France, Iceland and United Kingdom.

Draft resolution A/C.1/51/L.37

Operative paragraph 3 of the draft resolution was adopted by a recorded vote of 115 to 7 with 19 abstentions.

Operative paragraph 4 of the draft resolution was adopted by a recorded vote of 87 to 27 with 27 abstentions.

The draft resolution as a whole was adopted by a recorded vote of 94 to 22 with 29 abstentions.

In explanation of vote after the vote, statements were made by the representatives of China, Japan, New Zealand, Spain, Ireland, Portugal, Greece, Austria, the Russian Federation, Germany, Norway, Sweden, Chile and Argentina.

Draft resolution A/C.1/51/L.16 was adopted without a vote.

Statements were made by the representatives of Kyrgyzstan and Kazakstan.

In explanation of vote before the vote, a statement was made by the representative of India.

Draft resolution A/C.1/51/L.31 was adopted by a recorded vote of 145 to none with 1 abstention.

In explanation of vote before the vote, a statement was made by the representative of India.

Draft resolution A/C.1/51/L.44/Rev.1 was adopted by a recorded vote of 144 to 1 with 4 abstentions.

In explanation of vote after the vote, a statement was made by the representative of Cuba.

A statement was made by the representative of the Congo.

In explanation of vote before the vote, statements were made by the representatives of the Syrian Arab Republic, Iraq and Mexico.

The Secretary of the Committee made a statement.

Draft resolution A/C.1/51/L.18

Operative paragrah 3b of the draft resolution was adopted by a recorded of 124 to none with 11 abstentions.

Operative paragraph 5 of the draft resolution was adopted by a recorded vote of 125 to none with 14 abstentions.

The draft resolution as a whole was adopted by a recorded vote of 133 to none with 15 abstentions.

In explanation of vote after the vote, statements were made by the representatives of China, Myanmar, the Democratic People's Republic of Korea, Israel, Indonesia, Algeria, India, Egypt, Cuba, Sudan, Pakistan and the Islamic Republic of Iran.

Draft resolution A/C.1/51/L.47 was adopted without a vote.

In explanation of position after the decision, statements were made by the representatives of Israel, the Syrian Arab Republic and Pakistan.

23rd meeting

The Committee continued its action on draft resolutions submitted on all disarmament and international security agenda items.

In explanation of vote before the vote statements were made by the representatives of the United States.

Draft resolution A/C.1/51/L.43

Preambular paragraph 17 of the draft resolution was adopted by a recorded vote of 85 to 1 with 39 abstentions.

Operative paragraph 6 of the draft resolution was adopted by a recorded vote of 87 to 1 with 39 abstentions.

The draft resolution as a whole was adopted by a recorded vote of 98 to none with 40 abstentions.

Statements were made by the representatives of Indonesia, Malaysia, Peru, the Islamic Republic of Iran, the United States, Mexico, Germany and Chile.

Draft resolution A/C.1/51/L.5/Rev.1 was adopted without a vote.

In explanation of their position, statements were made by the representatives of the United States, France, Myanmar and Germany.

Draft resolution A/C.1/51/L.8 was adopted without a vote.

A statement was made by the representative of India.

Draft resolution A/C.1/51/L.10 was adopted without a vote.

Draft resolution A/C.1/51/L.25 was adopted without a vote.

Draft resolution A/C.1/51/L.26/Rev.1 was adopted without a vote.

Draft resolution A/C.1/51/L.32 was adopted without a vote.

A statement was made by the representative of the United States.

Draft resolution A/C.1/51/L.12 was adopted without a vote.

In explanation of position after the decision, statements were made by the representatives of the United States, Ireland (who spoke on behalf of the European Union).

Draft resolution A/C.1/51/L.13 was adopted by a recorded vote of 106 to 3 with 35 abstentions.

In explanation of vote after the vote, statements were made by the representatives of the United States and Australia.

Draft resolution A/C.1/51/L.14 was adopted by a recorded vote of 116 to 4 with 26 abstentions.

In explanation of vote after the vote, statements were made by the representatives of the United States and Andorra.

Draft resolution A/C.1/51/L.20/Rev.1 was adopted by a recorded vote of 81 to 39 with 22 abstentions.

In explanation of vote after the vote, a statement was made by the representative of China.

In explanation of vote before the vote, statements were made by the representatives of India and the Islamic Republic of Iran.

Draft resolution A/C.1/51/L.34 was adopted by a recorded vote of 137 to none with 11 abstentions.

In explanation of vote after the vote, a statements were made by the representatives of the United Kingdom, Cuba, Algeria and Benin.

Statements were made by the representatives of the former Yugoslav Republic of Macedonia (who introduced draft resolution A/C.1/51/L.42/Rev.1), Mexico, China, Pakistan and New Zealand.

Draft resolution A/C.1/51/L.33 was adopted without a vote.

In explanation of position after the decision, statements were made by the representatives of Israel and the Islamic Republic of Iran.

The Director of the Centre for Disarmament Affairs made a statement.

Statements were made by the representatives of Sri Lanka, Nigeria, the Democratic People's Republic of Korea, the Russian Federation, the United Arab Emirates and Zambia.

THIRD COMMITTEE — 38th meeting

Note: The summary of the 38th meeting of the Third Committee will appear in the next issue of the *Journal* (No. 1996/224).

FIFTH COMMITTEE — 28th meeting

Organization of work

Statements were made by the representatives of Cuba and Costa Rica (on behalf of the Group of 77 and China).

Programme planning [114]

The Committee continued its consideration of the individual programmes of the proposed medium-term-plan for the period 1998-2001.

Programme 20

Statements were made by the representatives of Ireland (on behalf of the European Union, Bulgaria, the Czech Republic, Estonia, Hungary, Latvia, Lithuania, Poland, Romania, Slovakia and Slovenia), Costa Rica (on behalf of the Group of 77 and China), Mexico, Cuba, Bangladesh and Uganda.

The Controller and the Secretary of the Committee responded to questions posed.

The Committee concluded the general discussion of this programme.

Programme 21

Statements were made by the representatives of Mexico, Egypt and Cuba.

The Committee concluded the general discussion of this programme.

Programme 22

Statements were made by the representatives of Mexico, the Syrian Arab Republic, Norway, Algeria, Egypt, Cuba, Indonesia, the Libyan Arab Jamahiriya, China, Kuwait and Malaysia.

The Controller responded to questions posed.

The Committee concluded the general discussion of this programme.

Programme 23

Statements were made by the representatives of Mexico, Ireland (on behalf of the European Union, Bulgaria, the Czech Republic, Estonia, Hungary, Latvia, Lithuania, Poland, Romania, Slovakia and Slovenia), Cuba, Bangladesh, Uganda, Egypt, Costa Rica and Indonesia.

The Committee concluded the general discussion of this programme.

Programme 24

Statements were made by the representatives of Mexico, Ireland (on behalf of the European Union, Bulgaria, the Czech Republic, Estonia, Hungary, Latvia, Lithuania, Poland, Romania, Slovakia and Slovenia) and Cuba.

The Committee concluded the general discussion of this programme.

Programme 25

Statements were made by the representatives of Mexico, Ireland (on behalf of the European Union, Bulgaria, the Czech Republic, Estonia, Hungary, Latvia, Lithuania, Poland, Romania, Slovakia and Slovenia), the Libyan Arab Jamahiriya, Cuba and Canada.

The Committee concluded the general discussion of this programme.

Programme 9

The Controller introduced the revised programme to the Committee.

Statements were made by the representatives of Costa Rica (on behalf of the Group of 77 and China), Ireland (on behalf of the European Union, Bulgaria, Cyprus, the Czech Republic, Estonia, Hungary, Latvia, Malta, Poland, Romania, Slovenia and Norway), Bangladesh, Brazil, Jamaica, Indonesia, Uganda, Japan, Trinidad and Tobago, the Libyan Arab Jamahiriya, the United States, Cuba, Mongolia, Egypt and Mexico.

The Committee concluded the general discussion of this programme.

The Chairman made a statement.

The representatives of Uganda, Turkey, Kenya, Norway and Ireland (on behalf of the European Union, Bulgaria, Cyprus, Estonia, Lithuania Poland, Romania, Slovakia and Slovenia) also made statements.

The Controller responded to questions posed.

Organization of work

Statements were made by the representatives of Costa Rica, Pakistan, Cameroon as well as by the Chairman.

29th meeting

Financial reports and audited financial statements, and reports of the Board of Auditors [111]

The Committee continued its consideration of this item.

Statements were made by representatives of Japan, Norway, Ghana and Pakistan.

Report of the Secretary-General on the activities of the Office of Internal Oversight Services [141]

The Committee continued its consideration of this item.

A statement was made by the representative of Ireland (on behalf of the European Union, Bulgaria, Cyprus, the Czech Republic, Estonia, Hungary, Latvia, Malta, Slovakia and Liechtenstein).

Programme Planning [114]

The Committee continued its consideration of the individual programmes of the proposed medium-term-plan for the period 1998-2001, and heard statements by the representatives of Mexico, Jamaica, Cuba, the United States, Haiti, Australia, Ethiopia, Indonesia and Norway.

The Committee thus concluded its general discussion of all outstanding programmes of the proposed medium-term-plan for the period 1998-2001.

Organization of work

The Chairman made a statement.

SIXTH COMMITTEE 40th meeting

Report of the International Law Commission on the work of its forty-eighth session [146]

The Chairman of the International Law Commission introduced Chapter VII of the report.

Statements were made by the representatives of Australia, Ireland, France, the Netherlands, Austria, Bharein, Brazil, Japan, Nigeria, Denmark (on behalf of the Nordic countries), Canada and Germany.

The Director of the New York liaison office of the Office of the United Nations High Commissioner for Refugees made a statement.

The Chairman also spoke.

* * *

ECONOMIC AND SOCIAL COUNCIL

Resumed substantive session of 1996

55th meeting

Note: The summary of the 55th meeting of the Economic and Social Council will appear in the next issue of the *Journal* (No. 1996/224).

* * *

International Convention against Torture and Other Cruel, Inhuman and Degrading Treatment or Punishment

COMMITTEE AGAINST TORTURE
Seventeenth session
United Nations Office at Geneva

THURSDAY, 14 NOVEMBER 1996

268th meeting

Consideration of reports submitted by States parties under article 19 of the Convention [4]

The Committee concluded its consideration of the second periodic report of the Russian Federation (CAT/C/17/Add.15).

269th (closed) meeting

Consideration of communications under the Optional Protocol to the Covenant [6]

The Commission continued its consideration of the item in closed session.

Published at Headquarters, New York, by the Office of Conference and Support Services.

96-30796